An. Code, 1924, sec. 13. 1912, sec. 13. 1904, art. 23, sec. 17. 1892, ch. 670. 1894, ch. 420. 1906, ch. 746. 1918, ch. 293.

19. Any county in this State, which or whose citizens shall subscribe for and pay up a capital stock of not less than twenty-five hundred dollars, or shall acquire and pay for real estate and improvements thereon to the said value of not less than twenty-five hundred dollars, and shall be duly incorporated under the laws of this State as a fair association, upon filing a certified copy of the certificate of incorporation, and the affidavit of the president of such association that the stock has been fully paid up or the property acquired and paid for the amount herein required with the Comptroller, shall be entitled to the benefits of this sub-title; provided, that but one association in each county shall be entitled to the benefits derived under this sub-title.¹

An. Code, 1924, sec. 14. 1912, sec. 14. 1904, art. 23, sec. 17. 1892, ch. 670. 1894, ch. 420. 1906, ch. 746.

20. Any existing association in this State or which may be hereafter organized desiring to avail itself of the provisions of this sub-title, is hereby required to forward to the Comptroller of the Treasury, on before the first Monday in December of each year, a statement, under the hand of its president, attested by the treasurer and the corporate seal of such association, giving in detail the financial condition of said association for the year immediately preceding such application.

Drainage.

1937, ch. 465.

21. There is hereby established a State Department of Drainage under the State Board of Agriculture, the said department to be administered by the Professor of Agricultural Engineering of the University of Maryland who, for the purpose of this section, shall be designated as the State Drainage Engineer.

It shall be the duty of the State Drainage Engineer to promote and encourage the drainage of agricultural lands in the State, to correlate the activities of the local drainage organizations in the State and to cooperate with State and Federal agencies in the interest of a permanent program of improved drainage. The State Drainage Engineer is hereby authorized to use such technical and clerical assistance as may be under the control of the State Board of Agriculture with the approval of said Board. The State Department of Drainage shall have the powers necessary to accomplish the purposes herein set forth.

¹ The act of 1918, ch. 293, repeals and re-enacts sec. 2 of the act of 1906, ch. 746, which in turn repealed and re-enacted the act of 1894, ch. 420, which latter was codified in the Code of 1904, as art. 23, sec. 17. The act of 1908, ch. 240, which revised the corporation law of the state, repealed sec. 17 of art. 23, without, however, mentioning the act of 1906, ch. 746, but on the theory that the act of 1908 repealed the act of 1906, the latter was not codified in the An. Code of 1912. In view of the repeal and re-enactment of sec. 2 of the act of 1906, ch. 746, by the act of 1918, ch. 293, and of the decision of the Court of Appeals in Baltimore v. German-American Fire Ins. Co., 132 Md. 380, it is thought best to here codify the act of 1906 as amended by the act of 1918, appending this explanation, so that those interested may reach their own conclusions.